IAP12 Rec'd PCT/PTO 27 APR 2006 FORM PTO-1390 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER (REV. 7-2005) P/2107-290 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)** U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. 30 October 2003 PCT/EP2004/012046 26 October 2004 TITLE OF INVENTION PROCESS FOR REDUCING THE LIME CONSUMPTION IN SUGAR BEET JUICE PURIFICATION Eric DENEUS et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. [] This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. [X] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. [X] The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. [] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. [X] has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. [X] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. [X] is attached hereto. b. [] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. [] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. [] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. [] have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. [] have not been made and will not be made. 8. [] An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. [X] An Unexecuted oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. [] An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included: 11. [] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. [] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. [X] A preliminary amendment. 14. [] An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76 15. [] A substitute specification. 16. [] A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. [] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. [] A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. [] A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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